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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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SUBJECT

Election-offer to groups of cos as VP of Corporation Act & allegations thereto

~~Proposed Orders~~

To Comptroller

2690 clerks to be appointed

1) Prohibiting the election

2) Files without orders on objecting petition

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ROUTINE NOTES

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc , not intended for permanent record]

Appeal petition dt 5-5-44 from
Sh Anjaneyagowda &
Others VI Clrs of Sale Tahsildar
Tumkur VI, Krishnadevaraya
praying for setting aside
the sale held on 2 5 44

Minutes of the Addl Dist Magte
dt 9. 11. 44 on the petition

" This refers to a minor
irrigation tank. Enquiry &
report may be called for in the
matter" Sd HG 8 5 44

Submitted with a memo on the petition
& appeal duly filled in for orders
& a report

Sd/- 11/5/44

3) 1) Issue
2) Put this up
file re
election of a Municipal
Member recently

11/5

1965 927/5/44

N B – *Should routine notes be written on small slips these notes must be copied or slips pasted on this form*

WD 078—GPB—30 000—25-7-40

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
MysoreDistrict,
Dated, Mysore, the 18th May 1944.

D3-C 3306/43-44

Enc (4) four

GEN & REV SECRETARIAT
7308
21 MAY 1944
L S G BRANCH

From

C M H RANAJODHA SINGH, Esq , B A ,

Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District
MYSORE

LAW DEPT
23 MAY 1944
GOVT OF MYSORE

To

C NARAYANASWAMI NAIDU, Esq , B A , B L ,

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Law Department, Bangalore

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Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER
FOR L S G & P H
Date 24.5.44
No 8191/15

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SECY LAW DEPT 21 MAY 1944 GOVT OF MYSORE

3 Electing V.P to Saligram municipal 7308

9) subs to with a dft reminder 226/44 L V 8319

Mra 12/6 10) Issue 17/6/44 L

Issue No L 12371 dt 14/6/44

Govt Advocate 15/6

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Issue

From the D C. Nyamwasa at

No D3 - C 3306/43 dt 26/6/44

Forwards a final report in the matter

11) The D C's report is subs to for perusal

In the reasons stated therein, the

D C reports that the election of

V-P's aforesaid held be set aside and that a re-election

may be ordered to be held & an

account of the irregularities referred

to in the report

(12) subs to with reference to paras

1, 5, 6 and 7 supra

(13) (The Law sect may perhaps be

consulted in the matter)

Put up papers 3/7/44

Seen 6/7

SECY LAW OFFICE 6 JULY 1944

(14) The opinion of the Law secretariat

be obtained on the several point-

Law Secy 15/7

No Reg 202 7/7/44

In favour of issue

Issue w/e

16) A copy of the Election Rules is obtained from the Dy Secy to Provincial and is herewith for reference, and the file is submitted for orders with reference to para 14 supra

Kiran 12/7/51 12/7

17) The Deputy Speaker states that the election of the Vice-President of Bahawalpur Assembly, which was held on 5th ... has been challenged by Sh Ghulam Qadir, a defeated candidate, on the ground that undue influence has been exercised in the conduct of the election by the Speaker

18) After Sh Qureshi had received 96 votes and Sh Ghulam Qadir 6 votes in the election held on 5.5.51 the Deputy Speaker, 35 members filed an objection application on 5.5.51 the grounds set forth are

(i) That Sh Mohammad Yaqub, who is an ex-officio member of the Council, & was on leave on the date of election exercised his vote

(ii) corrupt practice

His argument that as there are two persons, each the election by self desire

9. That Sh Mohammad Yaqub is an ex-officio member of the Council when the election took place and when the said date was fixed, & on casual leave & he was on casual leave he cannot be said to have been on duty

(10) If he was on Privileged leave, then he could not vote, but being on Casual leave, it does not prevent him from exercising his vote

(10) The next point is that he was ill, I think ill, he vomited was brought by the other party on a cart to the booth This by itself does not amount to undue influence. Nor does any formal legal breach of Conversing " But the alleged illness of the Doctor was brought in Immediately, then does not amount to undue influence by the party proper evidence

(11) The D C in a specific act then in order to succeed must practice with Black as much the election cannot be said to be impartially held.

(12) But Respondent cannot take other pleas of proof. The evidence is wholly untrusted - & in absence of conclusive proof petition must fail to set aside an Election The D C also asserts that there is conclusive proof of the Corrupt, but he suggests specific Opinion that there was no free election because from Corporation influence & Government & that votes were bought by the successful party. If this by the general Opinion then it cannot be said that the election was free But from the facts as found, I do not find sufficient evidence to arrive at such a general Opinion

The election of the Vice President to take place
23) Gentlemen think there is no
necessity to postpone the election
Law Secy 13/7/44

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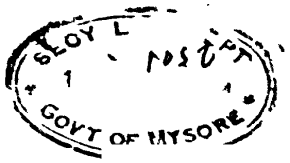

24) Before we cannot pass
on suspicions & conjectures
13/7/44

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26) A draft note as put up
in accordance with the above
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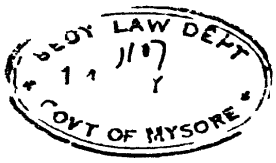
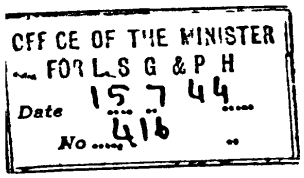
Law Secy 14/7/44



27) For the reasons given by the
Law Secretary the election cannot
be postponed

28) Notification may be
approved

15/7/44
for



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29) May be approved (It is however
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was on leave when was the election. He was
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he went to the meeting when he had
his prior the explanation may be obtained)
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8/9/44 30/11 Issue
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the embalmer, Hyde Gazette
L 690 d 26/8/44
notifies the election
L 691 d 26-8-44 4-3 a copy
to the D.C. Supervisor

31/8 draft letter is put up,
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L 7/8/44

V.O.,
the Senior Surgeon
L 1583 d 14/8
calls for certain information
L 1584 — 3 ds a copy to the
D.C. Hyde

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[illegible] from the Senior Surgeon
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summarises the explanation of the 3 As

33) In connection with the election of Vice President to the Telegrama Mission Hill, the local sub Asst Surgeon, though on leave at the time of election on account of illness, took part in the proceedings and voted for a certain candidate.

34) His explanation was called for as to the illness he was suffering from and the circumstances under which he went to the meeting when he had high fever in to exercise his vote

35) The report of the Senior Surgeon (PWD) and the explanation furnished by the Sub Asst Surgeon in this respect gives an idea of the fever he had and the circumstances under which he went to exercised his vote on the occasion

36) Submitted for perusal and orders with reference to para 29 supra

para 29/1

Law says from 31/1/45

Suspension of is not very unusual for politically minded persons to take part in Volunteer Work while they are on

CRS 31-7-45

From

Sd/- 1.2.45

If affirmed, there will be

Sd/- 3.2.45

OFFICE OF THE MASTER FOR L S G & P H Date 31-1-45 No 5901

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2-5-1944 రద్దు

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BEFORE THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, MYSORE DISTRICT? MYSORE.

Mis Petition No of 1943-44.

Petitioner:- 1 S. Anjaneyagowda (2) Syed Mohamad
2 S K. Dyavegowda (4) Eraiah (5) S K Ramegowda

Municipal Councillors of Saligrama Minor Municipality Krishnarajnagar Taluk, Mysore District

-Vs-

Respondent:- Mr Gunapaliah Mill owner Krishnarajmahall Nagar Taluk Mysore District.

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Application under Rule (11 and 12 of Government Rules Regulating Election of Vice President of Minor Municipalities.

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1 The Election of the Vice President of the Saligrama Minor Municipality was held on 2-5-1944 in which Mr. S. Anjaneyagowda got six votes while Mr. Gunaplaiah got nine votes.

2. Petitioners beg to submit that this election was not valid and its reported result is unjust and illegal and ought not to be accepte for the following among several other reasons namely:-

a) The Sub Assistant Surgeon of the place happens to be a Councillor The person who hold that post here was not doing so on the date of the election and in fact another doctor was actually in charge of his office But the first man has participated and voted in the election for Mr Gunapaliah Hence the entire election is vitiated and is clearly invalid and contrary to law

b) There has been organised conspiracy and combination to secure wrongful gain causing this unjust result The election is vitiated by corrupt practices causing wide spread indignation Some of the Councillors have been induced to vote for the other candidate by illegal means To give only one instance they have been regularly entertained and treated by Mr Gunapaliah and his agents prior to the election and particularly on that very day also An atmosphere of suspicion has been created and great dis-satisfaction prevails in the locality

3. Petitioners therefore humbly pray that,

a) the publication of the name of the candidate reported to be elected be withheld and further proceedings be stayed

b) and the election be set aside with costs and a fresh election be ordered to be held.

Sd/ M.A. Doraswami Iyengar,

Advocate for Petitioners

5-5-44.

Sd H.H Anjaneya,

Municipal Councillor

Sd S K.Deve Gowda,
Sd Syed Mahamood
Sd Eriah
Sd. S K Rame Gowda.

} Municipal Councillor

"Copy"

For Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.

rd 44-43-24
SECURITY COMMISSIONER

Before the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, Mysore
Mis Petition No of 1943-44.

Petitioners 1) S Anjaneyagowda etc ,

Vs.

Respondant Mr Gunapalaiah

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Application for stay

1) Petitioners have this day filed an application disputing the election of the Respondent as Vice President of Saligrama Minor Municipality held on 2-5-1944

2) A kind perusal of the gounds will indicate that the election has not been duly held and is invalid and the name of the Respondent cannot therefore be sent for Gazette publication under Rule 11 The first gound is a matter of law and it can be ascertained by official reports It goes to the root of the entire proceedings of the election

3) Under these circumstances the petitioners submit that the Status quo ante should be preserved until the final disposal of this petition as otherwise irrepairable injury and damage would be done

4) They therefore pray that pending the final disposal of their petition all further proceedings about the said election be ordered to be stayed particularly the sending of the name of the Respondant for Gazetted publication either directly by your Honour or by your Honour recommending the same to the Government

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" Copy "

For Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District

NI 44-43-24

To, the A12371 Y 8/14/6 Tyrone Dr.

I am directed to request you to send further information promised in your letter No. 3-WC 3306/63 of 18-5-44 re the declaration of V P to the sale of [illegible] immediately to the Secretary, Commerce & quote reference No. [illegible] 48 referred to in your letter No. [illegible] 41-56 of 6-9-41 from the Estate Duty Office [illegible] Secretary

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July 1943

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from the year 1943-44	

To,

The D.C. Shimoga District.

The complaint in

Lr L 1012-3/Mil St-42-70,

dt 25-7-43

M 44-43-24

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
MYSORE DISTRICT

No D3-C.3306/43.
Encl one file mg

Dated, Mysore, the 26th June 1944

GEN & REV SECRETARIAT 8319 29 JUNE 1944 L S G BRANCH

FROM

C.M.H RANAJODHA SINGH, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District
MYSORE

REVY LAW DEPT 2 JUN 1944 GOVT OF MYSORE

To

C NARAYANASWAMY NAIDU, Esq., B.A , B L.,
Legal Remembrancer, and
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Law Department, BANGALORE

SIR,

Subject:- Validity of the Election of the Vice-President in Saligrama Municipality, Krishnarajangar Taluk

Referring to correspondence ending with your letter No L 12371 dated 14th June 1944 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that Messrs S Anjaneya Gowda and 4 others presented an objection, petition under Rule 12 of the Rules regulating the Election of Vice-President of Minor Municipal Councils, contesting against the validity of elections of the Vice President in Saligrama Minor Municipality This petition was forwarded to the Sub Division Officer, Mysore for enquiry and report under Rule 13 of the said Rules The Sub Division Officer has accordingly enquired into the allegations made by the petitioners and submitted his report along with the statements of all the parties concerned It is seen therefrom that there are two contending factions among the Municipal Councillors in the Municipality The petitioners who, have contested the validity of the election seem to belong to one party on behalf of Mr S Anjaneya Gowda who is a candidate for the Election of the Vice President The other persons belong to the opposite party on behalf of Mr S D Gunapaliah who is now elected as Vice President

On the date of election all the 15 councillors are reported to have been present Mr Ali Hussen, the local Sub Asst Surgeon who is an ex-officio member of the council was reported to be on casual leave at the time on account of his illness and have applied for privilege leave which had not yet been sanctioned, and during his absence, Lady Sub Asst Surgeon of the place was in charge of the Dispensary The Sub Asst Surgeon Mr. Ali Hussein who was seriously ill at the time was pursuaded by one party to exercise his vote even though he was on leave He was present at the election and exercised his vote in favour of one party The conduct of the Sub Asst Surgeon in having exercised his vote in the election during his absence on leave seems to be suspicious and reprehensible

The Sub Division Officer has ~~held~~ made enquiries into the alleged corrupt practies resorted to by the parties and reported that sufficient evidence was not forthcoming to conclusively prove bribery He is however of opinion during his confidential enquires that ~~many~~ money has been spent freely for buying over the votes which were on the side of Mr Anjaneya Gowda But he adds that no evidence can be proved to establish this ~~quick~~ case of bribery He further states that much inducement has been offered even to prevail upon the Sub Asst Surgeon who has taken undue interest in the election even while he was on leave on account of his serious illness and the Lady Sub Asst Surgeon was in charge during his absence He has also reported that the voting papers were not examined by him as they have not been serially numbered and that it was not therefore possible to make out who voted for whom

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Considering all the aspects of this enquiry, I think that though there has not been judicial evidence to prove bribery there is much room to suspect that undue inducement has been offered in the conduct of the election by both the parties.

In the interest of the Municipality and in the smooth working of the Council, I am of opinion that it is not desirable to up hold the present election on account of the existence of the factious spirit among the Councillors. I request you, therefore, to be so good as to obtain orders of Goverment to set aside the present election of the Vice President and to hold re-election in view of the irregularities referred to above.

The objection petition and the entire file of correspondence ending with Mysore Sub Division Officer's letter No R1-C.941 of 43-44 dated 22-6-1944 are sent herewith for reference and kind return.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

CSV:

Issued No L 690 & 26/3/44 ML 44-43-25 AVS

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Dated Bangalore 26/3/44

NOTIFICATION

Under ~~Section 23 (4) of the Mysore~~ Section 10 (4) of the Mysore ~~Town Municipalities Act 1933~~ Minor Municipalities Act 1933 Mr S D Gurupadiah is elected as the Vice President of the Saligrama ~~Town Municipal Council~~ Minor Municipal Council, Krishnarajanagar Taluk, Mysore District,

By Order,

Secretary to Government
Law Department

To—The Compiler Mysore Gazette for publication in Part III-3 of Gazette and supply of ten copies thereof to the Secretariat and to the Deputy Commissioner of the ~~Concerned~~ District Mysore

MEMO NO L 691 & 26/3/44

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments to the Deput Commissioner, Mysore District for information with reference to his letter No D 3—c 3306/43 dated 26-6-1944 The records accompany

By Order,

For Secretary to Government,
Law Department

2/13/44

Appendix F, G —1]

SUBJECT

Diary No of letter replied to

General and Revenue Secretariat

the 194

Date of issue 17/8/44

Signed by [illegible]

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please type extracts of para 243 of the P W D

List of enclosures

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Section H

File No 44-43

Serial No 26

No L1583 & 12/8

To

The Senior Surgeon with the [illegible] of Tyne

Sir,

In forwarding herewith the extracts of paras 2 and 3 of the letter No D3-c 3306/43 & 26/6/44 re the election of a Vice President to the Salop[illegible] receipt of the Tyne Dist[illegible] I am directed to state that it is seen therefrom that the Sub Asst Surgeon in charge of the [illegible] has voted when he was on leave

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an account of illness and to state that it was
~~request me to obtain and forward~~ clear as to
~~the exact nature of the same~~ what was the
~~official as to the kind of illness~~ kind of illness
she was suffering from and the whatever
circumstances under which he
went to the meeting when he had high fevers,
has voted. ~~When he had high fever~~
Information on the above point requested Kindly hope that
with the explanation of the S.S. in the matter I subm for
the orders of your Very early Thanking
Sir
Yr Obedt Servt

Memo No- L 15-84
Copy forwarded to the Registration
for info
Sd/-
for
Registrar
Co-operative

C B No 46] **GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE**

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No Gc 54-B **OFFICE OF** ~~The Senior Surgeon in~~ Mysore, Bangalore

Encls one

Date 24th January 1945

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
His Highness the Maharaja's
Education Department,
Bangalore.

25 JAN 1945 SECRETARIAT

Sir,

Sub, Allegation against the Sub Assistant Surgeon of Saligrama in connection with the election of the Vice President for the local Municipalit

25 JAN 194

With reference to yourletter No 1582/A 1 44-43-26 dated the 12th August 1944 forwarding extracts from the letter No D 3 3508/43 dated 26th June 1944 from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District on the above subject, and calling for information on certain points, I have the honour to state that Mr S Ali Hussain, Sub Assistant Surgeon was first granted 10 days' casual leave from 18-4-1944 as he was sick On 29th April 1944, the District Medical Officer visited Saligrama for the annual inspection and found the Sub Assistant Surgeon to be still weak and running temperature occasionally, and opined that he could rejoin duty on the expiry of the leave already granted to him On 7th May 1944, the Sub Assistant Surgeon represented that under great pressure from the previous Vice President, Saligrama Municipality, he was obliged to go to the Municipal Office and take part in the election of the Vice-President on 2-5-1944 and since then, there was a rise of temperature ranging from 100 in the mornings to 102 in the evenings and requested that he may be granted 2 months' privilege leave, as he apprehended that the fever may continue for some time longer the Sub Assistant Surgeon was, therefore, granted 2 months' privilege leave from 18-4-1944 The Sub Assistant Surgeon suffered from a mild attack of typhoid The circumstances under which the Sub Assistant Surgeon took part in the election of the Vice-President though he was on leave, have been explained by him in his explanation dated 7-9-1944, a copy of which is here with submitted

P T O

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Copy of explanation dated 7-9-1944 from the Sub Assistant Surgeon, Saligrama to the District Medical Officer, Mysore

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In obedience to your kind order No 648 dated 19th August 1944 calling for my explanation in regard to my voting at the recent Vice Presidential election to the Saligrama Municipal Council, I beg to submit as follows

At the time of election I was not seriously laid up, and I did not go to vote with high fever on There were two candidates contesting the election, Mr Anjaneya Gowda and Mr Gumpalaiah I was requested not to absent myself from the election meeting The notice calling upon me to attend the election meeting and the connected calendar of events under the signature of the President (the Amildar) were served on me at my house (as I was on leave) and my acknowledgements obtained thereto As such I though that I was entitled to and have to vote About five or six days prior to the day of election the fever which was continuous came down to normal with some slight variations occasionally On two days prior to and on the day of election particularly my temperature was steady and normal, with a feeling in me that I was not so disabled at the time, as to be unable to exercise my vote I thought it was correct then, to make an attempt to vote in the interest of the Municipal administration being an ex-officio member, and therefore attended the meeting and voted in favour of Mr Anjaneya Gowda whom I considered better of the two When I exercise my vote neither the Preside t nor any of the candidates standing for election who were present at the occasion and who were all aware of my being on leave took objection to my voting On the other hand the whole proceedings were unanimously considered as in order, and were attested thereto by all the members

I am very much pained to see from the ext acts received on 4-9-1944 that serious allegations are made against me and my honest attempts in discharging my duty faithfully are mistaken While exphatically denying the allegations referred to therein, I beg to assure you Sir, that my action in having exercised the vote, even though with slight risk to my health was not influenced by any inducement but

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was actuated by a sense of duty mainly as a Government servant, and with the honest belief that I would be failing in my duty if I abstained myself from attenting the election and exercising my vote, especially for the reason that I was not entirely confined to bed and was not relieved of the complete charge of the dispensary at the time

I may be permitted to add here that in my twelve years of service as an Sub Assistant Surgeon, I have had occasions, some times, to take leave for reasons of personal ill health and on many of these occasions I have subordinated my own convenience and comfort and attended to urgent professional calls

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